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HYDROXYLATION OF MACROLIDE  
COMPOUND

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

**MS ISSUE FEE**

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. It is respectfully requested that the following amendments be entered without withdrawing the application from issue.

This amendment includes:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.